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Madrid, November 5, N. S.

THREE Days ago the Duke of Popoli, a Neapolitan Nobleman, set out for Italy, in order ('tis said) to raise there a Regiment of Italian Foot-Guards for the King of Spain's Service, and to bring them hither. Their Catholick Majesties still remain at the Escurial. Yesterday arrived here the Count de Oropesa from Vienna, in order to take Possession of his great Estate, which was confiscated upon his following the Emperour's Party in the late Wars, and is now restored to him, in Pursuance of the Peace lately concluded between Spain and the Emperour. Part of Count Konigseck's Equipage is arrived, and it is thought he will be here by the End of this Month, being to come by the Way of Paris.

Hague, Nov. 20, N. S. The States of the Province of Holland began their Session the 14th Instant. On the 15th they disposed of the Employment of Counsellour in the Court of Holland, (which became vacant by the Promotion of M. Ten Hove to that of Secretary of the Council of State) in Favour of M. Schaep; and have since been chiefly employed in filling up the Offices Civil and Military that were vacant in their Repartition. Prince Kourakin, who was the Muscovite Ambassadour to the States General, has taken Leave of their High Mightinesses in Form, by a Memorial which he caused to be presented to them with his Letters of Revocation: And their High Mightinesses have sent him his Recredentials, with the usual Present, which is a Medal and Gold Chain of the Value of 6000 Florins. The States of the Province of Guelderland having had communicated to them the Remonstrance lately made by those of Holland, on the Necessity of re-establishing the Affairs of this Republick, have drawn up a vigorous Representation to induce the other Provinces to enter into all proper Measures for that Purpose. M. Boreel is come hither from Zealand, and is preparing to set out forthwith for the Court of France, M. Hop being expected from Paris in two or three Days. M. Kalkoen, who is appointed Ambassadour to Constantinople, is likewise here at present, to endeavour while the States of Holland are assembled to get the Sum settled that is to be allowed him for the Charges of his Journey and Embassy, he being the first Minister that has gone from this State to the Ottoman Port with the Character of Ambassadour. M. Linden, Governour of the young Prince of Nassau Friseland, is arrived here, and has taken his Seat in the Assembly of the States General, on the Part of the Nobles of the District of Nimeguen, being chosen their President in the Room of M. Rantwyck lately deceased. M. de Bleskensgraef, one of the Representatives of Holland in that Assembly, died here this Morning.

Gabre, Nov. 8, O. S. The King continues His Resolution of setting out from hence for Hanover on Thursday next early in the Morning, and Preparations are made for that Purpose. His Majesty designs to hunt To-morrow for the last Time.

General Post-Office, Oct. 7, 1725.

Whereas upon a strict Examination of the Rider, together with the Circumstances, which are since found to agree with his Relation, it does appear that the Cross-Road Mail which constantly goes between Chester and Exeter, was really taken away from the Rider upon Sunday the 26th of September last, about Three a-Clock in the Morning, by two Men on Horseback, near Pensford, a Village about seven Miles from Bristol, in the Road to Wells, who carried off the entire Mail, which had in it the Bags of Letters of the several Towns of Chester, Whitchurch, Shrewsbury, Bridgnorth, Bewdley, Kidderminster, Worcester, Tewksbury, Glocester, Wotten-Underidge, Bristol, Wells, Bridgwater, Taunton, Wellington, Tiverton and Exeter; and Expresses having been immediately, the very same Morning, sent away from Bristol to Chester and Exeter, to give Notice of the Accident to the several Post Towns mentioned, and their Dependencies, and no Notice having been as yet sent to the General Post-Office at London, of any Bank Notes, or other Notes, or Bills, that were in the said Mail, with Endorsements upon them, *according to the Method proposed in the Advertisement so long published in the Prints,* it is to be presumed that there were no such Notes, or Bills in the said Mail. *This is to advertise, that whoever shall apprehend the Persons who stole the Mail, or either of them, so that they, or either of them, be convicted of the Robbery, that over and above the Money they will be entitled to from the County where the Robbery was committed, they will also be entitled to the Reward of 200 l. for each of them. And also, if either of the said Persons who have committed the said Robbery, or any of their Accomplices, shall come in and make a Discovery of the said Robbery, so that they or either of them be apprehended and convicted thereof, such Person will not only be entitled to the Rewards abovementioned, but also to His Majesty's most gracious Pardon, as formerly published in the Gazettes by His Majesty's special Command.*

Trustees Office South-Sea-House, Nov. 15, 1725.

The Trustees appointed by Act of Parliament for raising Money out of the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others give Notice, that they intend to expose to Sale by Cant or Auction, to the best Bidder, in the Hall of the South-Sea-House, on Wednesday the 15th Day of December next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, the several Estates following, viz. A Farm at Tunstall in the County of Norfolk, late the Estate of Sir Lambert Blackwell, Bart. (one of the said late Directors). The Manor of Chillcompton, in the County of Somerset, with the Lands and Tenements thereto belonging, late the Estate of Francis Hawet, Esq; (one of the said late Directors). Several Farms in Havering Park, in the County of Essex, late the Estate of Richard Houlditch, Esq; (one of the said late Directors). The Parsonage Farm and Tythes of High Easter, in the County of Essex, late the Estate of Robert Chester, Esq; (one of the said late Directors). A Dwelling-House, Sugar-House, and Warehouses, on College-Hill, in the City of London, late the Estate of Mr. Robert Knight, (late Cashire of the said Company.) Several Houses in Charles-Street in the City of Westminster, late the Estate of Mr. Robert Surman, late Deputy Cashire of the said Company. Particulars of the said Estates may be had at the Trustees said Office.

Hand-in-Hand Fire-Office.

The following Eight Persons are chosen Directors for the Year ensuing, viz. Mr. Henry Clifton, Mr. Thomas Chinall, Mr. Richard Fowler, Mr. Thomas Bedford, Robert Gay, Esq; Mr. Matthew Tomlinson, George Walter, Esq; Alexander Ward, Esq;. The Sixteen following are continued according to the Deed of Settlement, Mr. John Applebee, Mr. John Blencow, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Col. Thomas Exelbe, Mr. Thomas Haddon, Mr. John Johnson, Mr. William Mount, Mr. Edmund Trench, Mr. John Wyat, Mr. Thomas Cradock, Mr. William Ellwood, Mr. John Finkell, Mr. John Green, William Hucks, Esq; Thomas Jett, Esq, Mr. Thomas Rayner. The Directors of the said Office having now had two Years Experience of Mr. Newsham's Engines (of Cloth-Fair) and finding that in the fullest Manner they answer the distinguishing Character he has given of them; and that particularly the extinguishing the late Fire at London-Bridge (and thereby the Preservation of a great Number of Houses, which must otherwise have been inevitably destroyed) was owing to the Service they did upon that Occasion, do think themselves obliged in Justice to him, and for the Benefit of Mankind, to give this publick Declaration of their good Opinion of them.

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